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# The War

## SERVICE IN THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES OF AMERICAN CITIZENS RESIDING IN CANADA

[Released to the press October 1]

The following notes were exchanged on September 30, 1942 between the Canadian Minister at Washington and the Department of State in regard to a procedure under which American citizens residing in Canada who have not declared their intention of becoming naturalized in Canada may elect to serve in the United States forces in lieu of service in the Canadian forces.

*The Canadian Minister at Washington to the  
Secretary of State*

No. 638                      CANADIAN LEGATION,  
*Washington, September 30, 1942.*

Sir:

I have the honour to refer to your note of April 8, 1942, in reply to my note No. 222 of April 6 concerning the application of the United States Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, as amended, to Canadian nationals residing in the United States, and stating that the Government of the United States assures the Government of Canada full reciprocity with respect to the regime outlined in your note of March 30 under which Canadian nationals in the United States who have not declared their intention of becoming United States citizens may elect to serve in the naval, military or air forces of Canada in lieu of service in the armed forces of the United States.<sup>1</sup> In your note you further state that the Government of the United

States agrees to the understandings, limitations and assumptions set forth in numbered paragraphs 4 to 9 inclusive of my note.

2. One of these understandings is that the Government of the United States is agreeable to the Canadian Government imposing a liability to compulsory military service on United States citizens residing in Canada. A second understanding is that while non-declarant United States citizens in Canada will, prior to their induction into the naval, military or air forces of Canada, be granted an opportunity of electing to serve in the armed forces of the United States, this opportunity will not be granted to declarant United States citizens in Canada.

3. In accordance with these understandings the Canadian Government has recently imposed on United States citizens residing in Canada a liability to compulsory military service identical with that imposed on British subjects ordinarily resident in Canada, and the Canadian Government now desires to initiate a procedure satisfactory to the Government of the United States under which United States citizens in Canada who have not declared their intention of applying for naturalization in Canada may elect to serve in the armed forces of the United States, in lieu of service in the armed forces of Canada, at any time prior to enrolment in the Canadian Army.

4. The following proposals are made by the Canadian Government:

<sup>1</sup> *Bulletin of April 11, 1942, pp. 315-318.*

(a) Individuals who elect for service with the armed forces of the United States will be physically examined by the Canadian Army. The results of the examination will be forwarded to the proper authorities of the United States. On receipt from these authorities of notification that an individual is acceptable the competent Canadian authority will send the individual to a designated reception point for induction into the armed forces of the United States. If, on arrival at the reception point, the individual is found to be not acceptable to the armed forces of the United States, he shall be liable to be enrolled immediately in the Canadian Army.

(b) In order that non-declarant United States citizens in Canada may be informed of the conditions of service in the armed forces of the United States, the Canadian Government suggests that the United States authorities give the Canadian authorities copies of a pamphlet setting forth the conditions of service so that the pamphlets may be made available to non-declarant United States citizens who are called up for military service by Canada.

(c) United States citizens in Canada who elect to serve in the armed forces of the United States and are accepted by one of those forces and who return to Canada for permanent residence within six months after the termination of their service with the United States armed forces will not lose any rights they may have previously acquired under the Immigration and Naturalization Acts of Canada.

5. Acceptance by the United States of these proposals will not be construed by the Canadian Government as imposing any obligation on the United States Government to return to Canada United States citizens who may be deemed to be defaulters under the National War Services (Recruits) Regulations of Canada.

6. If these proposals are acceptable to the Government of the United States, this note and your reply thereto accepting the proposals shall be regarded as placing on record the under-

standing arrived at between the two Governments concerning this matter. The practical details may then be arranged directly between the appropriate governmental agencies.

Accept [etc.] LEIGHTON MCCARTHY

*The Secretary of State to the Canadian Minister at Washington*

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,  
Washington, September 30, 1942.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your note no. 638 of September 30, 1942 proposing an arrangement under which American citizens residing in Canada, who have not declared their intention of applying for naturalization in Canada, and who may become subject to enrolment in the armed forces of Canada will, prior to such enrolment, be given an opportunity of electing to serve in the armed forces of the United States. You also state that acceptance of the proposals will not be construed by your Government as imposing any obligation on the Government of the United States to return to Canada any citizens of the United States who may be deemed to be defaulters under the National War Services (Recruits) Regulations of Canada. Your proposals are made on the understanding that the United States Government is agreeable to the Canadian Government imposing a liability to compulsory military service on United States citizens residing in Canada, and that the opportunity of electing to serve in the armed forces of the United States will be granted only to American citizens residing in Canada who have not declared their intention of applying for naturalization in Canada.

I am pleased to inform you that the Government of the United States agrees to the Canadian Government imposing a liability to military service on United States citizens residing in Canada, and that the proposed arrangement as outlined in your note under acknowledgment is satisfactory to this Government.

Accept [etc.]

For the Secretary of State:

A. A. BERLE, JR.



### ARRANGEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF FATS AND OILS

The Office of War Information stated on September 28 that the Combined Food Board, United States and Great Britain, has announced an agreement providing for exclusive buying by the United States in certain prescribed regions of the world and by the United Kingdom in other areas, on behalf of all the governments adhering to the agreement, of fats, oils, and oilseeds available to the United Nations throughout the world. The plan is a part of the general strategy of the Combined Food Board, which seeks to procure and allocate efficiently various important food supplies available to the United Nations for the combined war effort.

Worked out after a comprehensive survey of the supplies of the fats and oils available to the United Nations in relation to essential wartime needs, the agreement provides: (1) The United States will be the exclusive purchaser, on behalf of the governments adhering to the agreement, of all oilseeds, oils, and fats in the North and South American continents, Portuguese Africa, Spanish Africa, and Liberia, including the Caribbean islands, with the exception of animal fats in Argentina and Uruguay; (2) the United States shall be the exclusive purchaser of copra in Tahiti and all Free French Pacific islands; and (3) the United Kingdom will be the exclusive purchaser, on behalf of all the adhering governments, of all animal fats in Argentina and Uruguay and of all oilseeds, oils, and fats in British Empire countries, with the exception of the territory in the North and South American continents, including the Caribbean islands; Free French Africa; and the Belgian Congo.

### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR RELIEF IN THE BELLIGERENT COUNTRIES

On September 30, 1942 the President's War Relief Control Board issued to the press a tabulation of contributions collected and disbursed during the period September 6, 1939 through August 1942, as shown in the reports submitted

by persons and organizations registered with the Board for the solicitation and collection of contributions to be used for relief in foreign countries, in conformity with the regulations issued pursuant to section 3 (a) of the act of May 1, 1937 as made effective by the President's proclamations of September 5, 8, and 10, 1939, section 8 of the act of November 4, 1939 as made effective by the President's proclamation of the same date, and Executive Order 9205 of July 25, 1942.

The statistics set forth in the tabulation are incomplete as regards relief activities which a number of registered organizations have been carrying on in respect to non-belligerent countries, for which registration has not heretofore been required.

The American National Red Cross and certain religious organizations are exempted from registration with the Board by section 3 of Executive Order 9205, and the accounts of these organizations are not included in this tabulation.

Copies of this tabulation are obtainable from the President's War Relief Control Board, Washington Building, Washington, D.C.

## The Department

### CENTRAL TRANSLATING OFFICE

In Departmental Order 1096, of September 29, 1942, the Secretary of State prescribed additional duties for the Central Translating Office. These duties include interpreting and translating in connection with inter-American conferences; translation of agreements between the United States and the other American republics and of addresses of the President, the Secretary of State, and other ranking Government officials when of interest to the other American republics, such translations to serve as the accepted official translated version of those public utterances; review of material published

in Spanish and Portuguese by other Governmental departments and agencies; and review of Spanish, Portuguese, and French scripts for motion pictures and radio programs to be distributed through official channels in the other American republics, including cooperation with the Interdivisional Committee on Motion Pictures in the evaluation of films for distribution abroad.

## The Foreign Service

### CONFIRMATIONS

On September 28, 1942 the Senate confirmed the nomination of Anthony J. Drexel Biddle, Jr., of Pennsylvania, as American Ambassador near the Governments of Yugoslavia and Greece now established in London.

The nominations of Thomas L. Hughes, of the District of Columbia, as Consul General, and of W. Garland Richardson, of Virginia, as Consul, in the Foreign Service were also confirmed on that date.

## Treaty Information

### ARMED FORCES

#### Exchange of Notes With Canada Regarding Service in the United States Armed Forces of American Citizens Residing in Canada

The texts of notes exchanged between the Canadian Minister at Washington and the Department of State regarding a procedure under which American citizens residing in Canada who have not declared their intention of becoming naturalized in Canada may elect to serve in the United States forces in lieu of service in the Canadian forces, appear in this *Bulletin* under the heading "The War".

### STRATEGIC MATERIALS

#### Arrangement for the Purchase of Fats and Oils

An announcement by the Combined Food Board of an agreement providing for exclusive buying by the United States in certain prescribed regions of the world and by the United Kingdom in other areas, on behalf of all the governments adhering to the agreement, of fats, oils, and oilseeds available to the United Nations throughout the world, appears in this *Bulletin* under the heading "The War".

## Publications

### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Principles Applying to Mutual Aid in the Prosecution of the War Against Aggression: Preliminary Agreement Between the United States of America and Poland—Signed at Washington July 1, 1942; effective July 1, 1942. Executive Agreement Series 257. Publication 1796. 3 pp.

Principles Applying to Mutual Aid in the Prosecution of the War Against Aggression: Preliminary Agreement Between the United States of America and the Netherlands, and Exchange of Notes—Agreement signed at Washington July 8, 1942; effective July 8, 1942. Executive Agreement Series 259. Publication 1797. 6 pp.

Principles Applying to Mutual Aid in the Prosecution of the War Against Aggression: Preliminary Agreement Between the United States of America and Greece—Signed at Washington July 10, 1942; effective July 10, 1942. Executive Agreement Series 260. Publication 1798. 3 pp.

Detail of Military Officer To Serve As Director of the Polytechnic School of Guatemala: Agreement Between the United States of America and Guatemala Extending the Agreement of May 27, 1941—Effectuated by exchanges of notes signed June 9 and 22 and July 21, 1942; effective from May 27, 1942. Executive Agreement Series 264. Publication 1802. 3 pp. 5¢.

Principles Applying to Mutual Aid in the Prosecution of the War Against Aggression: Preliminary Agreement Between the United States of America and Czechoslovakia—Signed at Washington July 11, 1942; effective July 11, 1942. Executive Agreement Series 261. Publication 1805. 4 pp. 5¢.

## OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

International Law Situations and Documents: Index to volumes 31-40, 1931-40. (Naval War College.) 79 pp. 55¢.

Understanding the Other American Republics [for elementary schools]. (U.S. Office of Education, Education and National Defense Series, Pamphlet 12.) 32 pp., illus. 20¢.

## Regulations

International Radiotelephone Communications [regulations pertaining to application for sponsorship of the State Department, necessity for approval of Office of Censorship, written notification of approval for sponsorship, and notification to applicant of clearance for a call, in the case of non-governmental business or personal radiotelephone calls to or from any foreign point outside the Western Hemisphere except England, unless such calls are made in the interest of the United States or the United Nations]. September 19, 1942. (Department of State.) 7 *Federal Register* 7481.

## Legislation

Joint Resolution Authorizing the President of the United States of America to proclaim October 11, 1942, General Pulaski's Memorial Day for the observance and commemoration of the death of Brigadier General Casimir Pulaski. Approved September 28, 1942. [H.J.Res. 271.] Public Law 717, 77th Cong. 1 p.

Authorizing the execution of certain obligations under the treaties of 1903 and 1936 with Panama, and other commitments. H. Rept. 2498, 77th Cong., on H.J.Res. 342. 6 pp.

Repatriating native-born women residents of the United States [who have lost citizenship by marriage to an alien]. H. Rept. 2499, 77th Cong., on H.R. 7275. 2 pp.

Draft of proposed provision pertaining to the appropriation for the Board of Economic Warfare: Communication from the President of the United States transmitting a draft of proposed provision pertaining to the appropriation for the Board of Economic Warfare for the fiscal year 1943 [to provide funds for expenses of employees stationed in foreign countries]. H. Doc. 855, 77th Cong. 3 pp.

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